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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For: **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DETERMINING AND REPORTING WHETHER A MAILPIECE HAS BEEN OPENED BY A RECIPIENT**

Enclosed are:

- 31 pages comprising the specification, claims, and abstract.
- 2 sheets of drawings.
- A Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- A Recordation of Assignment Request and a copy of the executed Assignment of the invention to Pitney Bowes Incorporated, 1 Elmcroft Road, Stamford, Connecticut 06926-0700. (original + 1).
- Certificate of Mailing by Express Mail.
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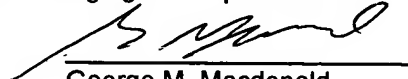
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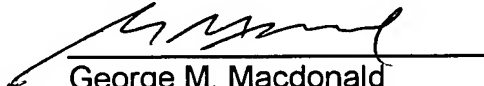
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In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.10, I hereby certify that the attached Patent Application (31 pages and 2 sheets of drawings) entitled SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DETERMINING AND REPORTING WHETHER A MAILPIECE IS OPENED BY A RECIPIENT; Declaration and Power of Attorney; Recordation of Assignment with attached copy of executed Assignment (original + one copy); Transmittal Letter (original + 1); and Return Receipt Postcard, were deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on December 15, 2003, for delivery by Express Mail. The number of the Express Mail mailing label is EU803591405US.

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